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## Postal food drive donations will help the Macomb Food Program feed the hungry

MOUNT CLEMENS, Mich. – The 14th annual National Association of Letter Carriers (NALC) and U.S. Postal Service Food Drive is coming soon to mailboxes across Macomb County.

In Macomb County, and throughout the country, postal workers will collect nonperishable food items placed by mailboxes on Saturday, May 13. Much of the food collected in Macomb County is distributed to those in need through the Macomb Food Program's 52 pantry distribution sites.

The food drive is a critical event for the Macomb Food Program. Each year food donations collected during this event provide emergency food supplies for thousands of hungry families and individuals in Macomb County. Nearly 64,000 people in Macomb County were helped with emergency food in 2005.

The Macomb Food Program encourages the community to support the letter carriers in their drive to help feed the hungry. All residents need to do to participate is leave non-perishable food items near their mailboxes before their letter carriers arrive on the day of the collection.

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This event is the nation's largest one-day effort to combat hunger. Nationwide partners include NALC, the United States Postal Service, Campbell's Soup Co., America's Second Harvest, the AFL-CIO, Valpak, and the United Way.

## **About Macomb County**

Macomb County is an enriching community in Southeastern Michigan that has one of the state's fastest rates of growth. Its 825,000 residents make it Michigan's third-largest county, with direct access to Lake St. Clair and Anchor Bay, and a host of cultural and entertainment options. Its highly skilled workforce and investment in new and expanding businesses make it open to enterprise. Active civic leadership translates into balanced budgets and Michigan's second-lowest tax rate. An increasingly diverse population and high quality of life make Macomb County accessible to all.